## BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

December 3, 1999

IN RE:	)
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BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,	) DOCKET NO. 99-00463
INC. TARIFF TO MODIFY RATES FOR	)
BUSINESS PLUS SERVICE AND BUSINESS	)
CHOICE SERVICE	Ć

## ORDER APPROVING TARIFF TO MODIFY RATES FOR BUSINESS PLUS AND BUSINESS CHOICE SERVICE

This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") on the tariff filing of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") for approval to modify its rates for Business Plus Service and Business Choice Package Service. BellSouth filed Tariff No. 99-00463 (the "Tariff") on June 25, 1999, with the proposed effective date of August 2, 1999. At the July 27, 1999 Authority Conference, the Directors unanimously voted to suspend the effective date of the Tariff for thirty (30) days, from August 2, 1999 through September 1, 1999. The Directors of the Authority considered this matter at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on August 10, 1999, and unanimously approved the Tariff as filed.

Based upon careful consideration of the tariff filing, the Authority finds and concludes the following:

1. Business Plus Service is an existing optional LATA-wide plan that allows business customers to place all of their outbound calling to the LATA boundary. Business Plus Service offers two options whereby a business customer can elect to pay a higher monthly rate in order to receive a reduced per minute of use rate. The Business Choice Package Service includes all



options provided under Business Plus Service along with the addition of certain custom calling

features.

2. Business Plus Service and Business Choice Package Service are considered non-basic

services pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-208(a). Under § 65-5-208(a), non-basic services

are telecommunications services which are not defined as basic local exchange services and are

not exempted under subsection (b).

3. The proposed rate adjustments to these non-basic services will result in a net annual

revenue reduction for BellSouth.

4. BellSouth may adjust rates for non-basic services so long as it maintains compliance

with the prescribed price cap under Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-209.

After consideration of this matter, the Directors voted unanimously to approve

BellSouth's Tariff No. 99-00463.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Tariff No. 99-00463 filed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. is approved.

Melvin 🕻 Malone, Chairman

H. Lynn Greer, Jr., Director

Sara Kyle, Director

ATTEST:

K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary